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How about an update to the profile page? It is outdated. Here is a draft for your consideration:

At approximately 10:20 am local time on March 17, 2019, Intercontinental Terminals Company LLC (ITC) discovered a tank on fire and reported the incident to the National Response Center (NRC #1240304). EPA Region 6 Phone Duty Officer (PDO) activated the Response Duty Officer (RDO) and EPA START contractors to respond.

EPA mobilized and entered Unified Command.

This is still an active emergency response event, and EPA is focused on its role to provide assistance and coordinate with local governmental agencies, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, U.S. Coast Guard, and Harris County Pollution Control Services for response actions needed to address any discharges from the site.

EPA is conducting ground level air monitoring with handheld equipment and the Airborne Spectral Photometric Environmental Collection Technology aircraft (ASPECT). The EPA Trace Atmosphere Gas Analyzer (TAGA) is a self-contained mobile laboratory capable of real-time sampling of outdoor air or emissions. It has been operating in the Deer Park area and is monitoring for organic compounds in the air. EPA began collecting water samples in Tucker Bayou on March 20 and in Buffalo Bayou on March 21, 2019.

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